



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

LINEMAN APPRECIATION MONTH

- WHEREAS: A lineman is a tradesman who constructs and maintains energy infrastructure. The lineman profession is steeped in personal, familial, and professional tradition; and
- WHEREAS: Linemen are often first responders both during and following storms and other catastrophic events. These individuals help to ensure the safety of certain areas for other public safety professionals; and
- WHEREAS: Linemen work with thousands of volts of electricity high atop power lines 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, to maintain the flow of electricity; and
- WHEREAS: Linemen perform their duties under extreme conditions and face immense hazards, including the risk of injury or death, yet garner little recognition from the communities in which they serve; and
- WHEREAS: In the last year, Georgia experienced extreme weather on multiple occasions, including the landfall of Hurricane Irma. During such weather, Georgia's linemen worked diligently and courageously, often throughout the night, to restore power to communities and repair damages to the state's energy infrastructure; and
- WHEREAS: During Lineman Appreciation Month, organizations such as Georgia EMCs, Electric Cities of Georgia, and Georgia Power, come together to recognize Georgia's linemen for their effective and dedicated service to citizens and communities around the state; now
- THEREFORE: I, NATHAN DEAL, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim April 2018 as LINEMAN APPRECIATION MONTH in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 19th day of February in the year of our Lord two thousand eighteen.



Nathan Deal

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

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